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For: Thermal Water Treatment

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington DC 20231

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the restriction requirement, Paper No. 2, mailed October 28, 2002, please also amend the application as follows:

In accordance with the **REVISED AMENDMENT FORMAT** and waiver of 37 CFR § 121, as promulgated by order of Stephen Kunin, Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, on January 31, 2003, the entire set of presently pending claims has been reproduced below in the approved revised amendment format. Any amendments to the specification and drawings have also been presented in the revised format. No separate marked-up copy of the amended claims or specification has been provided.

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